## CLAIMS

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- A system for differentiating two or more cables of 1. more respective appliances, the system comprising a respective means for labelling each 5 cable, wherein each means for labelling is provided in a differentiated form from each other means for labelling.
- A system as claimed in claim 1 wherein each means for 2. labelling comprises a tying device for tying the 10 means to its respective cable.
  - A system as claimed in claim 2 wherein the tying 3. is used for identifying a cable of device tying device appliance, the electrical attachable to the cable and having a preprinted appliance name thereon or positionable thereon.

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- A system as claimed in claim 3 wherein the preprinted 4. or positionable appliance name is located on an external surface of an enlarged portion of the tying device.
- A system as claimed in claim 3 or claim 4 wherein a 5. plurality of the tying devices are supplied as part of a unit and are detachable from the unit for use.
- A system as claimed in claim 5 wherein the unit is a 6. card. 25
  - A system as claimed in claim 2 wherein the tying 7. device comprises:
    - an elongate member for releasable securement at a cable by wrapping around the cable; and
- an enlarged portion arranged on the member for 30 insertion through a hole located in the member, the in part of a enlarged portion being at least

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thickness greater than a narrowest width dimension of the hole.

8. A system as claimed in claim 7 wherein the enlarged portion is of a transverse width greater than any width dimension of the hole.

- 9. A system as claimed in claim 7 or claim 8 wherein the enlarged portion is located at one end of the elongate member.
- 10. A system as claimed in claim 9 wherein the hole is located adjacent to an opposite end of the elongate member.
- 11. A system as claimed in any one of claims 7 to 10 wherein the enlarged portion defines a shoulder where it joins the elongate member such that, in use when the enlarged portion has been inserted through the hole, the shoulder is seated at and abuts an edge of the hole to releaseably secure the device at the cable.
- 12. A system as claimed in claim 11 wherein the shoulder 20 is at least partially rounded.
  - 13. A system as claimed in claim 11 wherein the shoulder is bevelled.
- 14. A system as claimed in any one of claims 11 to 13 wherein the width of the hole is equivalent to or greater than the width of the elongate member.
  - 15. A system as claimed in any one of claims 7 to 14 wherein a remote end of the enlarged portion is tapered to facilitate insertion thereof into the hole.
- 30 16. A system as claimed in any one of claims 7 to 15 wherein the enlarged portion of the device at least is made of a flexible material.

- 17. A system as claimed in any one of claims 7 to 16 wherein the elongate member is a strap.
- 18. A system as claimed in claim 2 wherein the tying device comprises:
- an elongate member for releasable securement at a cable by wrapping around the cable; and

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- a portion of the member for insertion through a hole located in the member, the portion being at least in part of a thickness greater than a narrowest width dimension of the hole.
- 19. A system as claimed in claim 18 wherein the portion has a thickness which is also greater than the thickness of the remainder of the elongate member.
- 20. A system as claimed in claim 18 or claim 19 wherein indicia is pre-applied to an external surface of the portion which in use can facilitate identification of a cable to which the tying device is releasably secured.
- 21. A system as claimed in any one of claims 18 to 20 wherein the tying device is as otherwise defined in any one of claims 2 to 17.
  - 22. A system as claimed in claim 2 wherein the tying device comprises:
  - an elongate member for releasable securement at a cable by wrapping around the cable;
    - an enlarged portion arranged on the member for insertion through a hole located in the member, the enlarged portion including a raised portion thereon to provide that part of the enlarged portion with a thickness greater than a remainder of the enlarged portion.
    - 23. A system as claimed in claim 22 wherein the part of the enlarged portion that is raised has a thickness

- which is also greater than the thickness of the elongate member.
- 24. A system as claimed in claim 22 or claim 23 wherein the elongate member has the same thickness as the remainder of the enlarged portion.

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- 25. A system as claimed in any one of claims 22 to 24 wherein indicia is pre-applied to an external surface of the raised portion which in use can facilitate identification of a cable to which the tying device is releasably secured.
- 26. A system as claimed in any one of claims 22 to 25 wherein the device is as otherwise defined in any one of claims 2 to 17.
- 27. A system as claimed in claim 2 wherein the tying device comprises:
  - an elongate member for releasable securement at a cable by wrapping around the cable; and
  - enlarged portions at respective opposing ends of the member, each being enlarged relative to the member for the length of the member, with one enlarged portion being insertable through a hole located in the other enlarged portion.
    - 28. A system as claimed in claim 27 wherein the device is as otherwise defined in any one of claims 2 to 17 or claims 23 to 25.
- 29. A card comprising a plurality of detachable elongate members, each of the members being frangibly joined to the card for detachment therefrom, an enlarged portion being defined in at least one of the members for insertion in use through a hole located in the member, the enlarged portion being at least in part of a thickness greater than a narrowest width

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dimension of the hole or a thickness of an adjacent part of the elongate member.

- 30. A card as claimed in claim 29 wherein the enlarged portion has a transverse width greater than the transverse width of an adjacent portion of the elongate member.
- 31. A card as claimed in claim 29 or claim 30 wherein the members are each made of the same material as the card.
- 10 32. A card as claimed in any one of claims 29 to 31 wherein each member is a tying device as otherwise defined in any one of claims 2 to 28.
  - 33. A card as claimed in any one of claims 29 to 32 wherein the plurality of detachable elongate members on the card are the means for labelling as defined in the system of any one of claims 1 to 28.
  - 34. A tag device for identifying a cable of an electrical appliance, the tag device being attachable to the cable and having a name of the appliance thereon.
- 20 35. A tag device as claimed in claim 34 that is a tying device as otherwise defined in any one of claims 2 to 28.
  - 36. A tying device comprising:

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- an elongate member for releasable securement at a cable by wrapping around the cable; and
  - an enlarged portion arranged on the member for insertion through a hole located in the member, the enlarged portion being at least in part of a thickness greater than a narrowest width dimension of the hole.
- 37. A tying device as claimed in claim 36 wherein the tying device is as otherwise defined in any one of claims 8 to 17.

- 38. A tying device comprising:
  - an elongate member for releasable securement at a cable by wrapping around the cable; and
- a portion of the member for insertion through a hole located in the member, the portion being at least in part of a thickness greater than a narrowest width dimension of the hole.
  - 39. A tying device as claimed in claim 38 wherein the tying device is as otherwise defined in claims 19 or 20.
    - 40. A tying device comprising:

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- an elongate member for releasable securement at a cable by wrapping around the cable;
- an enlarged portion arranged on the member for insertion through a hole located in the member, the enlarged portion including a raised portion thereon to provide that part of the enlarged portion with a thickness greater than a remainder of the enlarged portion.
- 20 41. A tying device as claimed in claim 40 wherein the tying device is as otherwise defined in any one of claims 23 to 25.
  - 42. A tying device comprising:
    - an elongate member for releasable securement at a cable by wrapping around the cable; and
      - enlarged portions at respective opposing ends of the member, each being enlarged relative to the member for the length of the member, with one enlarged portion being insertable through a hole located in the other enlarged portion.
  - 43. A tying device as claimed in claim 42 wherein the tying device is as otherwise defined in any one of claims 8 to 17 or claims 23 to 25.

- 44. A system for differentiating two or more containers for containing two or more respective items, the system comprising a respective means for labelling each container, wherein each means for labelling is provided in a differentiated form from each other means for labelling.
  - 45. A system as claimed in claim 44 wherein each means for labelling comprises a tying device for tying the means to its respective container.
- 10 46. A system as claimed in claim 45 wherein the tying device is used for identifying a container, the tying device being attachable to a neck of the container, or a container neck formed by folding of the container, and having a preprinted container name thereon or positionable thereon.
  - 47. A system as claimed in claim 46 wherein the preprinted or positionable container name is located on an external surface of an enlarged portion of the tying device.
- 20 48. A system as claimed in claim 46 or claim 47 wherein the container is a plastic bag.
  - 49. A system as claimed in any one of claims 44 to 48 wherein the tying device is as otherwise defined in any one of claims 2 to 43.